

TABLE 2-6. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF LIVE BIRTHS WITH SELECTED MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS
BY RACE/ETHNIC GROUP¹ OF MOTHER, CALIFORNIA, 2004 (By Place of Residence)

RACE/ETHNIC GROUP OF MOTHER	Late or No Prenatal Care ^{2†}	Preterm Birth ^{3†}	Cesarean Deliveries	Low Birthweight ⁴
TOTAL	14,123	55,738	159,413	36,481
HISPANIC	8,258	28,495	78,580	16,797
NON-HISPANIC				
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	211	741	2,002	496
AMERICAN INDIAN	138	248	615	127
ASIAN	1,221	5,883	17,916	4,566
BLACK	978	4,130	9,677	3,622
PACIFIC ISLANDER	161	330	737	180
WHITE/OTHER	2,967	15,102	47,639	10,046
NOT STATED	189	809	2,247	647
<u>MEDICAL CHARACTERISTICS AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS TO A SPECIFIED GROUP</u>				
TOTAL	2.6	10.9	29.3	6.7
HISPANIC	3.1	11.1	28.6	6.1
NON-HISPANIC				
2 OR MORE RACE GROUPS	3.0	11.1	28.0	6.9
AMERICAN INDIAN	6.8	13.2	29.7	6.1
ASIAN	2.0	10.0	28.8	7.4
BLACK	3.5	15.6	33.7	12.6
PACIFIC ISLANDER	6.4	13.9	29.0	7.1
WHITE/OTHER	1.9	10.0	29.9	6.3
NOT STATED	2.7	11.9	29.0	8.4

¹ The race/ethnic groups in this table provide a mutually exclusive list with Hispanic origin, 2 or more races, and single races. American Indian includes Eskimo and Aleut; Pacific Islander includes Hawaiian; Unknown includes Refused to State. These groups are not comparable with race groups used in Vital Statistics of California reports prior to 2000. See Chapter 6.

² Third trimester or no prenatal care.

³ Birth prior to 37 weeks of gestation.

⁴ Birthweight of less than 2,500 grams (5.5 pounds).

† Births with unknown values were subtracted from total births before percentages were calculated.
Not Reported weeks of gestation include gestation reported as: under 17 weeks, over 53 weeks, and not reported.

Source: State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Records.